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SUBJ: UPDATE ON FREEZE IN COFFEE PRODUCING REGIONS

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1. PRESS REPORTS TODAY (AUGUST 16) INDICATE FREEZING TEMPERATURES
REACHED COFFEE GROWING REGIONS IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN SAO PAULO
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STATE DURING EARLY MORNING HOURS OF AUGUST 15. TEMPERATURES FELL
TO FIVE DEGREES (CENTIGRADE) BELOW ZERO IN SOME PARTS OF
SAO PAULO STATE. ACCORDING TO THE ACTING MINISTER OF
AGRICULTURE, PAULO ROMANO, IT IS MUCH TOO EARLY TO EVALUATE
THE EFFECTS OF THE FROST BUT 25 PERCENT OF NEXT YEARS HARVEST
COULD BE AFFECTED. THE INSTITUTE OF METEOROLOGICAL RESEARCH IS
QUOTED AS SAYING THE FROST DANGER WILL CONTINUE AT REDUCED

LEVELS FOR THE NEXT 48 HOURS.

2. THE INSTITUTO BRASILEIRO DE CAFE (IBC) ANNOUNCED THE SUSPENSION OF EXPORT REGISTRATIONS ON AUGUST 15. THE STATE PURPOSE WAS TO PREVENT THE REGISTRATION OF FICTITIOUS SALES BY EXPORTERS SPECULATING ON HIGHER PRICES. IBC PRESIDENT CAMILO CALAZANS SAID THE SUSPENSION OF EXPORT REGISTRATIONS WOULD REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FROST DAMAGE COULD BE EVALUATED.

3. WE ARE SEEKING IBC'S INITIAL ESTIMATE OF FROST DAMAGE.
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